

the derivative of  $a$ , and with the involution  $a^*(z) = \bar{a}(\bar{z})$ . The extreme points of  $P_A$  can be identified with  $[-1, 1]$ , the set of all fixed points of  $z \rightarrow \bar{z}$ . By Corollary 3.1 the function  $a$  defined by  $a(z) := 1 - z$  is contained in the cone  $\bar{A}_+$ , but it is not in  $A_+$ : Let  $a(z) = 1 - z = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i^*(z) a_i(z)$  be a combination of positive elements. Differentiating both sides and using the continuity of  $a'$  on  $D$  we obtain  $a'(1) = -1 = 0$ , a contradiction.

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On the integrability and  $L^1$ -convergence of sine series\*

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**Abstract.** We study sine series  $(*) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \sin kx$  with coefficients belonging to one or two of the classes  $\bar{C}$ ,  $\bar{B}V$ , and  $\bar{V}_p$  introduced in this paper. Among other things, we prove that if  $\{a_k\} \in \bar{C} \cap \bar{B}V$ , then  $(*)$  is the Fourier series of some function  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$ . Furthermore, if  $\{a_k\} \in \bar{C} \cap \bar{B}V$ , or  $\{a_k\} \in \bar{V}_p$  and  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$ , then the condition  $(**)$   $a_n \log n \rightarrow 0$  is necessary and sufficient for the  $L^1(0, \pi)$ -convergence of the partial sums  $s_n(x)$  of series  $(*)$ . Criterion  $(**)$  has been known so far only in the case of cosine series. Our results generalize those obtained by Telyakovskii [9] for sine series, while our new classes are the counterparts of those introduced by Garrett and Stanojević [5], as well as by Bojanic and Stanojević [2] for cosine series.

**1. Introduction.** We will study the sine series

$$(1.1) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \sin kx$$

where  $\{a_k\}$  is a sequence of real numbers in the class  $\bar{B}V$  defined as follows.

DEFINITION 1. A null sequence  $\{a_k\}$  belongs to  $\bar{B}V$  if

$$(1.2) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k |\Delta b_k| < \infty$$

where

$$b_k := a_k/k, \quad \Delta b_k := b_k - b_{k+1} \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots).$$

We do not require any monotonicity of the sequences  $\{a_k\}$  and  $\{b_k\}$ .

Following an idea of Kano [6], we represent the partial sums  $s_n(x)$  of series (1.1) in the form

$$s_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \sin kx = - \sum_{k=1}^n b_k (\cos kx)'$$

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where prime denotes derivative. By summation by parts,

$$(1.3) \quad s_n(x) = - \sum_{k=1}^n \Delta b_k D'_k(x) - b_{n+1} D'_n(x) \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

where

$$D_n(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^n \cos kx = \frac{\sin(n + \frac{1}{2})x}{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}x}$$

is the Dirichlet kernel. It is easy to see that

$$(1.4) \quad |D'_n(x)| \leq Cn/x^2 \quad \text{uniformly in } n \text{ and } x.$$

Here and in the sequel,  $C$  denotes positive absolute constants not necessarily the same at different occurrences.

Now a routine calculation gives that if  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{BV}$ , then at every  $x$  the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Delta b_k D'_k(x)$  converges absolutely and  $b_{n+1} D'_n(x) \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). Consequently, we can write

$$(1.5) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \sin kx = - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Delta b_k D'_k(x) =: f(x), \quad \text{say.}$$

**Remark 1.** We recall that the class  $BV$  of sequences of bounded variation is defined as follows. A null sequence  $\{a_k\}$  belongs to  $BV$  if

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\Delta a_k| < \infty \quad \text{where} \quad \Delta a_k := a_k - a_{k+1}.$$

However, it seems to us that  $\tilde{BV}$  is a more appropriate notion for sine series than  $BV$ .

We note that the difference between  $BV$  and  $\tilde{BV}$  is merely a slight one. For instance, if  $F$  denotes the class of sequences  $\{a_k\}$  such that

$$(1.6) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|/k < \infty,$$

then we have  $\tilde{BV} \cap F = BV \cap F$ .

Indeed, the inclusion  $BV \cap F \subset \tilde{BV}$  follows from the inequality

$$(1.7) \quad k|\Delta b_k| \leq |\Delta a_k| + \frac{|a_{k+1}|}{k+1}.$$

On the other hand, the inequality

$$(1.8) \quad |\Delta a_k| \leq k|\Delta b_k| + \frac{|a_{k+1}|}{k+1}$$

implies  $\tilde{BV} \cap F \subset BV$ .

Various conditions are known in the literature which ensure that series

(1.1) is a Fourier series (see e.g. [4], [6]–[9], and [10, Vol. 1, pp. 185–186]). Recently, Telyakovskii [9] introduced a class  $\tilde{S}$  as follows. A null sequence  $\{a_k\}$  belongs to  $\tilde{S}$  if there exists a nonincreasing sequence  $\{B_k\}$  of numbers such that

$$(1.9) \quad |\Delta b_k| \leq B_k \quad \text{for all } k, \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} kB_k < \infty.$$

**THEOREM A** (Telyakovskii [9]). *If  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{S}$ , then series (1.1) is the Fourier series of some function  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$ .*

**2. Main results.** We introduce another new class  $\tilde{C}$  of coefficient sequences for sine series.

**DEFINITION 2.** A null sequence  $\{a_k\}$  belongs to  $\tilde{C}$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$ , independent of  $n$ , and such that for all  $n$ ,

$$(2.1) \quad \int_0^{\delta} \left| \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \Delta b_k D'_k(x) \right| dx \leq \varepsilon.$$

It is clear that (2.1) implies, for  $1 \leq n \leq N$ ,

$$(2.2) \quad \int_0^{\delta} \left| \sum_{k=n}^N \Delta b_k D'_k(x) \right| dx \leq 2\varepsilon.$$

Conversely, by virtue of Fatou's lemma, it follows from (2.2) that (2.1) holds true with  $2\varepsilon$  in place of  $\varepsilon$ . Thus, conditions (2.1) and (2.2) as required to be satisfied for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  are equivalent.

**DEFINITION 3.** Motivated by (1.3), the sums

$$(2.3) \quad u_n(x) := s_n(x) + b_{n+1} D'_n(x) \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

are called the *modified sums* of series (1.1).

It will turn out that these modified sums  $u_n(x)$  exhibit nicer convergence behavior in comparison with that of the ordinary partial sums  $s_n(x)$ .

According to (1.3),

$$(2.4) \quad u_n(x) = - \sum_{k=1}^n \Delta b_k D'_k(x).$$

Another representation for  $u_n(x)$  is

$$u_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \left( \sum_{j=k}^n \Delta a_j \right) \sin kx + a_{n+1} \tilde{K}_n(x)$$

where

$$\tilde{K}_n(x) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{D}_k(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \left( 1 - \frac{k}{n+1} \right) \sin kx$$

is the conjugate Fejér kernel, while

$$\tilde{D}_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \sin kx = \frac{1}{2} \cot \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{\cos(n + \frac{1}{2})x}{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}x}$$

is the conjugate Dirichlet kernel.

We note that in the case of cosine series an analogous class  $C$  as well as analogous modified cosine sums were defined by Garrett and Stanojević [5].

**THEOREM 1.** *If  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{B}V$ , then*

$$(2.5) \quad \|u_n - f\| \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \{a_k\} \in \tilde{C}.$$

In this paper,  $\|\cdot\|$  denotes the  $L^1(0, \pi)$ -norm:

$$\|g\| := \int_0^\pi |g(x)| dx.$$

**COROLLARY 1.** *If  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{C} \cap \tilde{B}V$ , then series (1.1) is the Fourier series of some function  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$ .*

In Section 3, we will prove that the class  $\tilde{S}$  is a subset of  $\tilde{C} \cap \tilde{B}V$  (see Lemma 7 there). Thus, Theorem A is a special case of Corollary 1.

**COROLLARY 2.** *If  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{C} \cap \tilde{B}V$ , then*

$$(2.6) \quad \|s_n - f\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{if and only if} \quad a_n \log n \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

Combining Corollary 2 and Lemma 7 results in a natural continuation of Theorem A.

**COROLLARY 3.** *If  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{S}$ , then the equivalence relation in (2.6) holds true.*

We recall that if  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{S}$ , then by Lemma 2 we have (1.6). If, in addition,  $\{a_k\}$  is a nonincreasing sequence of positive numbers, then it follows from (1.6) that  $a_n \log n \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ) and we get back the following classical result.

**THEOREM B** ([10, Vol. 1, p. 185]). *If a null sequence  $\{a_k\}$  is nonincreasing, then (1.1) is the Fourier series of some function  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$  if and only if condition (1.6) is satisfied. Moreover, if (1.6) is satisfied, then*

$$\|s_n - f\| \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

**PROBLEM.** We are unable either to prove that  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{S}$  implies  $a_n \log n \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ) or to construct a counterexample.

We introduce further classes  $\tilde{V}_p$  of sequences as follows.

**DEFINITION 4.** Let  $p > 0$ . A sequence  $\{a_k\}$  belongs to  $\tilde{V}_p$  if

$$(2.7) \quad n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n k^{2p} |\Delta b_k|^p \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$$

(recall that  $b_k = a_k/k$ ).

Condition (2.7) is certainly satisfied if

$$(2.8) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{2p-1} |\Delta b_k|^p < \infty.$$

This immediately follows by applying the so-called Kronecker lemma (see e.g. [1, p. 68]). A particular case of (2.8) in the case  $p \geq 1$  is the one where  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{B}V$  and  $k^2 |\Delta b_k| \leq C$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots$ ).

On the other hand, in Section 3 we will prove that  $\tilde{S} \subset \tilde{V}_p$  for any  $p > 0$  (see Lemma 8 there).

**Remark 2.** In the case of cosine series analogous classes  $V_p$  were defined by Bojanic and Stanojević [2] as follows. A sequence  $\{a_k\}$  belongs to  $V_p$  if

$$n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n k^p |\Delta a_k|^p \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

Now, it follows easily that if

$$n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n |a_{k+1}|^p \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty),$$

in particular, if  $a_n \rightarrow 0$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ), then actually  $V_p = \tilde{V}_p$  for any  $p > 0$ . In fact, the inclusion  $V_p \subset \tilde{V}_p$  follows from (1.7), while  $\tilde{V}_p \subset V_p$  follows from (1.8) in routine ways.

**THEOREM 2.** *If  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{V}_p$  for some  $p > 1$  and  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$ , then*

$$(2.9) \quad \|u_n - f\| \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

We can draw two corollaries.

**COROLLARY 4.** *If  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{V}_p \cap \tilde{B}V$  for some  $p > 1$ , then*

$$f \in L^1(0, \pi) \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \{a_k\} \in \tilde{C}.$$

**COROLLARY 5.** *If  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{V}_p$  for some  $p > 1$  and  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$ , then the equivalence relation in (2.6) holds true.*

Using Hölder's inequality, it is easily shown that the class  $\tilde{V}_p$  is wider when  $p$  is closer to 1. Hence, without loss of generality we may assume that  $1 < p \leq 2$  in all subsequent considerations.

Before proving our theorems and the corollaries to them in Section 4, we will cite a few known and prove a few new auxiliary lemmas in Section 3.

### 3. Auxiliary results

**LEMMA 1.** *If  $\{B_k\}$  is a null sequence of positive numbers such that*

$$(3.1) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^2 |\Delta B_k| < \infty,$$

then

$$(3.2) \quad n^2 B_n \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty),$$

$$(3.3) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k B_k < \infty.$$

In the case when  $\{B_k\}$  is nonincreasing, conditions (3.1) and (3.3) are equivalent.

Proof. (3.2) is clear from the estimate

$$n^2 B_n = n^2 \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \Delta B_k \leq \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k^2 |\Delta B_k|.$$

Summation by parts gives

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \Delta B_k = \sum_{k=1}^n (2k-1) B_k - n^2 B_{n+1},$$

whence

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k B_k \leq \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \Delta B_k + n^2 B_{n+1}.$$

This yields (3.3).

If  $\{B_k\}$  is nonincreasing, then from (3.4) it follows that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k^2 |\Delta B_k| = \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \Delta B_k \leq 2 \sum_{k=1}^n k B_k,$$

completing the proof of the equivalence of (3.1) and (3.3).

LEMMA 2 (Telyakovskii [9]). Let

$$B_k := \max_{j \geq k} |\Delta b_j| \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k B_k < \infty$  is equivalent to the following two conditions:

$$(3.5) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\max_{j \geq k} |\Delta a_j|) < \infty, \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|/k < \infty.$$

We note that this equivalence remains valid if the second condition in (3.5) is replaced by the stronger one

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\max_{j \geq k} |a_j/j|) < \infty.$$

LEMMA 3. If  $T(x)$  is an even trigonometric polynomial of order  $n$ , then

$$\|T'\| \leq n \|T\|.$$

This is S. Bernstein's inequality in the  $L^1(0, \pi)$ -metric (see e.g. [10, Vol. 2, p. 11]).

LEMMA 4 (Bojanic-Stanojević [2]). Let  $\{c_k\}$  be a sequence of real numbers. Then for any  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $n \geq 1$

$$(3.6) \quad \left\| \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} c_k D_k \right\| \leq C_p n^{1-1/p} \left( \sum_{k=n}^{2n-1} |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

where the constant  $C_p$  depends only on  $p$ .

The following special case, known as the Sidon-Fomin inequality, can easily be deduced from Lemma 4.

LEMMA 5. Let  $\{c_k\}$  be a sequence of real numbers such that  $|c_k| \leq 1$  for all  $k$ . Then there exists a constant  $C$  such that for any  $n \geq 1$

$$\left\| \sum_{k=0}^n c_k D_k \right\| \leq C n.$$

Now we will prove a counterpart of inequality (3.6) in the case where  $D'_k(x)$  is used instead of  $D_k(x)$ .

LEMMA 6. Let  $\{c_k\}$  be a sequence of real numbers. Then for any  $1 < p \leq 2$  and  $n \geq 1$

$$(3.7) \quad \left\| \sum_{k=1}^n c_k D'_k \right\| \leq \tilde{C}_p n^{1-1/p} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n k^p |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

where the constant  $\tilde{C}_p$  depends only on  $p$ .

Proof. Without loss of generality, we may assume that  $n$  is of the form  $n = 2^m - 1$  with some  $m \geq 1$ . Let  $j \geq 1$ . Applying first Bernstein's inequality, then inequality (3.6) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{k=2^{j-1}}^{2^j-1} c_k D'_k \right\| &\leq 2^j \left\| \sum_{k=2^{j-1}}^{2^j-1} c_k D_k \right\| \leq 2^j C_p 2^{(j-1)(1-1/p)} \left( \sum_{k=2^{j-1}}^{2^j-1} |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq 2^{2-1/p} C_p 2^{j(1-1/p)} \left( \sum_{k=2^{j-1}}^{2^j-1} k^p |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Continuing by making use of the triangle inequality, then Hölder's inequality with the exponents  $p$  and  $q$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{k=1}^{2^m} c_k D'_k \right\| &\leq \sum_{j=1}^m \left\| \sum_{k=2^{j-1}}^{2^j-1} c_k D'_k \right\| \\ &\leq 2^{2-1/p} C_p \sum_{j=1}^m 2^{j(1-1/p)} \left( \sum_{k=2^{j-1}}^{2^j-1} k^p |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq 2^{2-1/p} C_p \left( \sum_{j=1}^m 2^{j(1-1/p)q} \right)^{1/q} \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{k=2^{j-1}}^{2^j-1} k^p |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq \tilde{C}_p 2^{m(1-1/p)} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{2^m-1} k^p |c_k|^p \right)^{1/p}, \end{aligned}$$

which is (3.7) for  $n = 2^m - 1$ .

LEMMA 7.  $\tilde{S} \subset \tilde{C} \cap \tilde{B}V$ .

Proof. It is plain that  $\tilde{S} \subset \tilde{B}V$ .

In order to prove  $\tilde{S} \subset \tilde{C}$  we take a sequence  $\{a_k\}$  in  $\tilde{S}$  and set

$$c_k := \Delta b_k / B_k, \quad E_k(x) := \sum_{j=1}^k c_j D_j(x) \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Clearly  $|c_k| \leq 1$  for all  $k$ . By summation by parts, for  $N > n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=n}^N \Delta b_k D_k'(x) &= \sum_{k=n}^N B_k c_k D_k'(x) \\ &= -B_{n+1} E_n(x) + \sum_{k=n+1}^N \Delta B_k E_k(x) + B_{N+1} E_N(x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$(3.8) \quad \left\| \sum_{k=n}^N \Delta b_k D_k' \right\| \leq B_{n+1} \|E_n\| + \sum_{k=n+1}^N \Delta B_k \|E_k\| + B_{N+1} \|E_N\|.$$

Since  $D_j(x)$  is an even trigonometric polynomial of order  $j$ , applying Lemma 3 gives

$$\|E_k\| \leq k \left\| \sum_{j=1}^k c_j D_j \right\|,$$

then applying the Sidon-Fomin lemma gives

$$\|E_k\| \leq Ck^2 \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Substituting this into (3.8) yields

$$\left\| \sum_{k=n}^N \Delta b_k D_k' \right\| \leq C \left[ n^2 B_{n+1} + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} k^2 \Delta B_k + N^2 B_{N+1} \right].$$

Given any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , by (1.9) and Lemma 1, the last inequality implies that

$$(3.9) \quad \left\| \sum_{k=n}^N \Delta b_k D_k' \right\| \leq \varepsilon/2 \quad \text{if } n \text{ and } N \text{ are large enough,}$$

say  $N \geq n > n_0$ . Finally, using the obvious inequality

$$(3.10) \quad |D_k'(x)| = \left| \sum_{j=1}^k j \sin jx \right| \leq k(k+1)/2,$$

for any  $1 \leq n \leq N$  we can estimate as follows:

$$(3.11) \quad \int_0^\delta \left| \sum_{k=n}^N \Delta b_k D_k'(x) \right| dx \leq \int_0^\delta \left| \sum_{k=n}^{n_0} \Delta b_k D_k'(x) \right| dx + \int_0^\pi \sum_{k=n_0+1}^N \Delta b_k D_k'(x) dx \leq \frac{1}{2} \delta \sum_{k=1}^{n_0} k(k+1) |\Delta b_k| + \varepsilon/2 \leq \varepsilon$$

provided  $\delta$  is small enough. This proves that  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{C}$ .

LEMMA 8.  $\tilde{S} \subset \tilde{V}_p$  for any  $p > 0$ .

Proof. We assume  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{S}$  and will prove  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{V}_p$ . To this end, set

$$\delta_j := [2^{(p-1)j} \sum_{k=2^j}^{2^{j+1}-1} |\Delta b_k|^p]^{1/p} \quad (j = 0, 1, \dots).$$

Owing to (1.9)(i) and the nonincreasing property of  $\{B_k\}$ , we conclude that  $\delta_j \leq 2^j B_{2^j}$ , whence

$$(3.12) \quad \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 2^j \delta_j \leq \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 2^{2j} B_{2^j}.$$

Now we apply the following Cauchy type theorem: If  $\{c_k\}$  is a nonincreasing sequence of positive numbers, then the series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k c_k$  and  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 2^{2j} c_{2^j}$  are convergent or divergent simultaneously. Therefore (1.9)(ii) implies that the series on the right-hand side of (3.12) is convergent. So is the series on the left-hand side of (3.12). In particular,

$$(3.13) \quad 2^j \delta_j \rightarrow 0 \quad (j \rightarrow \infty).$$

A simple estimate shows that

$$2^j \delta_j \geq \frac{1}{2} [2^{-j} \sum_{k=2^j}^{2^{j+1}-1} k^{2p} |\Delta b_k|^p]^{1/p},$$

whence, via (3.13),

$$2^{-j} \sum_{k=2^j}^{2^{j+1}-1} k^{2p} |\Delta b_k|^p \rightarrow 0 \quad (j \rightarrow \infty).$$

It is not hard to see that this is equivalent to condition (2.7) to be proved (cf. [2, Lemma 2.1]).

In the proofs of Corollaries 2 and 5 we will need the following estimate.

LEMMA 9. There exist two positive constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  such that

$$(3.14) \quad C_1 n \log(n+1) \leq \|D'_n\| \leq C_2 n \log(n+1) \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Próof. The upper estimate in (3.14) immediately follows from Bernstein's inequality (stated in Lemma 3 above) and from the estimate of the Lebesgue constant  $L_n = (2/\pi)\|D_n\|$  (see e.g. [10, Vol. 1, p. 67]).

In order to prove the lower estimate in (3.14), we begin with the representation

$$(3.15) \quad \begin{aligned} D'_n(x) &= - \sum_{k=1}^n k \sin kx = (n+1) [\tilde{K}_n(x) - \tilde{D}_n(x)] \\ &= (n+1) \left[ \tilde{K}_n(x) - \frac{1}{2} \cot \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{\cos(n+\frac{1}{2})x}{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}x} \right] \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{D}_n(x)$  and  $\tilde{K}_n(x)$  are the conjugate Dirichlet and Fejér kernels, respectively. It is well known that

$$(3.16) \quad \left| \tilde{K}_n(x) - \frac{1}{2} \cot \frac{1}{2}x \right| \leq \frac{C}{(n+1)x^2} \quad (0 < x \leq \pi)$$

(see e.g. [10, Vol. 1, p. 92]).

By (3.15),

$$(3.17) \quad \|D'_n\| \geq (n+1) \left[ \int_{\pi/(2n+1)}^{\pi} \frac{|\cos(n+\frac{1}{2})x|}{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}x} dx - \int_{\pi/(2n+1)}^{\pi} \left| \tilde{K}_n(x) - \frac{1}{2} \cot \frac{1}{2}x \right| dx \right] - \int_0^{\pi/(2n+1)} |D'_n(x)| dx.$$

A similar reasoning which leads to a lower estimate of the integral

$$\int_0^{\pi} \frac{|\sin(n+\frac{1}{2})x|}{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}x} dx$$

(see e.g. [10, Vol. 1, p. 67]) shows that there is a constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$(3.18) \quad \int_{\pi/(2n+1)}^{\pi} \frac{|\cos(n+\frac{1}{2})x|}{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}x} dx \geq C \log(n+1) \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Hence and from (3.16), (3.17) and (3.10), we get

$$\|D'_n\| \geq C(n+1) \log(n+1) - C(2n+1)/\pi - \pi(n+1)/4,$$

and this completes the proof of (3.14).

Remark 3. A more accurate calculation shows that actually

$$\frac{1}{\log(n+1)} \int_{\pi/(2n+1)}^{\pi} \frac{|\cos(n+\frac{1}{2})x|}{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}x} dx \rightarrow \frac{2}{\pi} \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$$

(cf. (3.18)), which implies in turn that

$$\frac{\|D'_n\|}{n \log(n+1)} \rightarrow \frac{2}{\pi} \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

#### 4. Proofs of Theorems 1-2 and Corollaries 1-5

Proof of Theorem 1. Sufficiency. Assume  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{C} \cap \tilde{B}V$ . By (1.5) and (2.4),

$$(4.1) \quad f(x) - u_n(x) = - \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \Delta b_k D'_k(x).$$

Given any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , let  $\delta$  correspond to  $\varepsilon/2$  in the definition of the class  $\tilde{C}$ . Then, by applying (1.4) again, a simple calculation shows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_n - f\| &= \left( \int_0^{\delta} + \int_{\delta}^{\pi} \right) \left| \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \Delta b_k D'_k(x) \right| dx \\ &\leq \varepsilon/2 + \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} |\Delta b_k| \int_{\delta}^{\pi} |D'_k(x)| dx \\ &\leq \varepsilon/2 + C \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} k |\Delta b_k| \int_{\delta}^{\pi} dx/x^2 \\ &\leq \varepsilon/2 + C\delta^{-1} \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} k |\Delta b_k| \leq \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

if  $n$  is large enough, thanks to the fact that  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{B}V$ . This proves the limit relation in (2.5).

Necessity. Now we assume that given any  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\|u_n - f\| \leq \varepsilon/2$  if  $n$  is large enough, say  $n \geq n_0$ . By (4.1), this is equivalent to

$$(4.2) \quad \int_0^{\pi} \left| \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} \Delta b_k D'_k(x) \right| dx \leq \varepsilon/2 \quad \text{if } n \geq n_0.$$

If  $1 \leq n \leq n_0$ , then by (3.10)

$$\int_0^{\delta} \left| \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \Delta b_k D'_k(x) \right| dx \leq \frac{1}{2} \delta \sum_{k=1}^{n_0} k(k+1) |\Delta b_k| + \varepsilon/2 \leq \varepsilon$$

(cf. (3.11)) provided  $\delta$  is small enough. This is (2.1), which means that  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{C}$ .

Proof of Corollary 1. In order to prove that (1.1) is a Fourier series, by a standard argument it suffices to show that for the sum  $f(x)$  of series (1.1) we have  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$ . According to Theorem 1, this is the case whenever  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{C} \cap \tilde{B}V$ .

Proof of Corollary 2. Sufficiency. Keeping (2.3) in mind, by

Theorem 1,

$$\|s_n - f\| \leq \|s_n - u_n\| + \|u_n - f\| = |b_{n+1}| \|D'_n\| + o(1).$$

Necessity. Similarly, by assumption and again by Theorem 1,

$$|b_{n+1}| \|D'_n\| = \|u_n - s_n\| \leq \|u_n - f\| + \|f - s_n\| = o(1).$$

In both cases, it remains only to take into account that by Lemma 9

$$(4.3) \quad |b_{n+1}| \|D'_n\| = \frac{|a_{n+1}|}{n+1} \|D'_n\| \sim |a_{n+1}| \log(n+1),$$

where  $\sim$  means that the sides are of the same order of magnitude.

**Proof of Theorem 2.** Denote by  $\sigma_n(x)$  the first arithmetic means of series (1.1), i.e.,

$$\sigma_n(x) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n s_k(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{k}{n+1}\right) a_k \sin kx \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

The basic idea is to show that under the conditions of Theorem 2,

$$(4.4) \quad \|u_n - \sigma_n\| \rightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

To this end, we use the representation

$$s_n(x) - \sigma_n(x) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n k a_k \sin kx = -\frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n k b_k (\cos kx)'$$

whence by summation by parts,

$$s_n(x) - \sigma_n(x) = -\frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n k \Delta b_k D'_k(x) + \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n b_{k+1} D'_k(x) - b_{n+1} D'_n(x).$$

By (2.3), this can be rewritten as

$$u_n(x) - \sigma_n(x) = -\frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n k \Delta b_k D'_k(x) + \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=1}^n b_{k+1} D'_k(x),$$

so

$$(4.5) \quad \|u_n - \sigma_n\| \leq \frac{1}{n+1} \left\| \sum_{k=1}^n k \Delta b_k D'_k \right\| + \frac{1}{n+1} \left\| \sum_{k=1}^n b_{k+1} D'_k \right\|.$$

We apply Lemma 6 twice in order to obtain

$$(4.6) \quad \frac{1}{n+1} \left\| \sum_{k=1}^n k \Delta b_k D'_k \right\| \leq \frac{\tilde{C}_p n^{1-1/p}}{n+1} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n k^{2p} |\Delta b_k|^p \right)^{1/p} \\ \leq \tilde{C}_p (n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n k^{2p} |\Delta b_k|^p)^{1/p} = o(1)$$

by (2.7), whereas

$$(4.7) \quad \frac{1}{n+1} \left\| \sum_{k=1}^n b_{k+1} D'_k \right\| \leq \frac{\tilde{C}_p n^{1-1/p}}{n+1} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n k^p |b_{k+1}|^p \right)^{1/p} \\ \leq \tilde{C}_p (n^{-1} \sum_{k=2}^{n+1} k^p |b_k|^p)^{1/p} = o(1)$$

because  $kb_k = a_k \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Putting (4.5)–(4.7) together yields (4.4).

To complete the proof we have to take into account that

$$\|u_n - f\| \leq \|u_n - \sigma_n\| + \|\sigma_n - f\|.$$

The first term on the right tends to zero by (4.4), while the second term tends to zero since  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$ , thereby yielding (2.9).

We note that this kind of approach was first applied by Bray [3] for cosine series.

**Proof of Corollary 4. Necessity.** Assume  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{B}V$ . Then, by Corollary 1,  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{C}$  is a sufficient condition for  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$ .

**Sufficiency.** Assume  $f \in \tilde{V}_p$  for some  $p > 1$  and  $f \in L^1(0, \pi)$ . Then, by Theorem 2, we have (2.9). By combining this with the condition  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{B}V$ , Theorem 1 implies  $\{a_k\} \in \tilde{C}$ .

**Proof of Corollary 5.** It is essentially a repetition of that of Corollary 2, with Theorem 2 used instead of Theorem 1.

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### The socle and finite-dimensionality of a semiprime Banach algebra

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**Abstract.** All finite-dimensional semiprime Banach algebras are semisimple.

The purpose of this paper is to give a characterization of the elements of the socle of a semiprime Banach algebra. If  $A$  is a semiprime Banach algebra we prove that  $\text{soc } A \cap \text{rad } A = \{0\}$ , and  $t \in \text{soc } A$  if and only if  $\dim(tAt) < +\infty$  (i.e.  $tAt$  has finite dimension). This extends a result of Alexander in [1] concerning semisimple Banach algebras, and is used to prove that the elements of  $\text{soc } A$  are algebraic and that  $A$  is finite-dimensional if and only if  $A = \text{soc } A$  (and in this case  $A$  is forced to be semisimple). This completes Tullo's assertion in Theorem 5 of [8]. We also give a different proof of Tullo's result.

An element  $s$  of  $A$  is called *single* if whenever  $asb = 0$  for some  $a, b$  in  $A$ , at least one of  $as$  or  $sb$  is zero. We say that an element  $t$  of  $A$  acts *compactly* if the map  $a \rightarrow tat$  ( $A \rightarrow A$ ) is compact. If the algebra  $A$  has no minimal ideals we define  $\text{soc } A = \{0\}$ .

In general, notation and terminology used are as in [3]. All the algebras and subspaces considered will be over the complex field.

Single elements that act compactly have proved to have a close connection with the elements of the minimal ideals of the algebra.

More precisely, with a slight modification (see e.g. [5] or [6]) in the proofs of Theorem 4 and Corollary 5 in [4] one can easily deduce Theorem 1 and Corollary 2 below (see also [7] for an alternative approach).

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $s$  and  $t$  be nonzero compactly acting single elements of a semiprime Banach algebra  $A$ , and  $s, t \notin \text{rad } A$ . Then:*

- (i) *There exist minimal idempotents  $e$  and  $f$  such that  $s = se$  and  $t = ft$ .*
- (ii) *The dimension of  $tAs$  is at most 1.*

From Theorem 1 we find that if  $s \notin \text{rad } A$  and  $s$  is a compactly acting

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